

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST WORKSHEET

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NOMINATION FORM  
for the  
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES, NATIONAL PARKS SERVICE

<b>1. NAME</b>				
COMMON:				
AND/OR HISTORIC:				
<b>2. LOCATION</b>				
STREET AND NUMBER: 3/4 mile north of U.S. 40, 1/4 mile west of Rockdale Road				
CITY OR TOWN: Clear Spring, Route 1				
STATE: Maryland		COUNTY: Washington		
<b>3. CLASSIFICATION</b>				
CATEGORY (Check One)		OWNERSHIP		STATUS
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object		<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Bath		<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure		Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered		ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment				
<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum				
<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific				
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) out building				
<input type="checkbox"/> Comments				
<b>4. OWNER OF PROPERTY</b>				
OWNER'S NAME: Mr. & Mrs. Harold Snively				
STREET AND NUMBER: Route 1				
CITY OR TOWN: Clear Spring		STATE: Maryland		
<b>5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION</b>				
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Washington County Court House				
STREET AND NUMBER: West Washington Street				
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown		STATE: Maryland		
Title Reference of Current Deed (Book & Pg. #): 366/5				
<b>6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS</b>				
TITLE OF SURVEY:				
DATE OF SURVEY: <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local				
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:				
STREET AND NUMBER:				
CITY OR TOWN:		STATE:		

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## 7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This building is located 1/4 mile west of Rockdale Road and approximately 3/4 mile north of U.S. 40 in Washington County, Maryland. It faces south and is situated directly over a small stream which emerges from a nearby spring. It is part of a complex of farm buildings which includes a large brick dwelling, ruins of a stone end barn and several outbuildings.

The structure contains two bays and is built of coursed local limestone. It is 1-1/2 stories in height and shows evidence of having had an internally-placed chimney in its east gable. Openings consist of a door and window located at the south front and one window on the north side of the house.

The board and batten door is relatively wide. It is framed very simply with boarding at the jambs and lintel and a limestone sill. The window opening is treated similarly but does have a board sill. The framing is joined by nails. There is no decorative stone work associated with these openings.

The roof is covered with corrugated metal and there is no cornice or finishing molding at the eaves.

The interior of the structure contains one room. Below the main floor is a vaulted brick chamber through which flows the small stream.

This structure originally could have been used as a dwelling or as a service building. There is no substantiated date for it and it does not appear to have been documented in any existing records. The use of coursed limestone for the walls involves a process where time must be taken to shape the stones. Such a lengthy method would not have been used in frontier days. The use of nails rather than pegs at the windows and door would also suggest a somewhat later date than might otherwise be expected. The structure probably dates from the first quarter of the 19th century.

The building is unaltered and is in fair condition. The large brick dwelling house on the property is considered in form WA V-004.

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## 8. SIGNIFICANCE

## PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- ☐ Pre-Columbian      ☐ 16th Century      ☐ 18th Century      ☐ 20th Century  
☐ 15th Century      ☐ 17th Century      ☒ 19th Century

## SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

## AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education   | <input type="checkbox"/> Political           | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry    | <input type="checkbox"/> Science             | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention   | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture           | _____  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape   | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature  | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater             | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Military    | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation      | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music       |  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |                                      |  |  |

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The area of significance of this small stone cabin is its architecture. Whether it was used as a dwelling or as a service building, the structure is an example of a primitive type of building. Small stone structures like this one may have been used as dwellings at an early date. Similar buildings of stone were common as dwellings in the north of Ireland and the idea for such structures may have been transported to Maryland by Scotch-Irish settlers. Although a number of settlers in Washington County were Scotch-Irish, the stone cabin was probably not a major building type in early settlement days. The log cabin is more frequently found today and was probably used more often in frontier times.

Some stone cabins do survive today. Most are now used as out-buildings and often as spring houses because many such structures were erected directly over the water source. They may be distinguished from buildings constructed specifically as spring houses by the presence of a fireplace and windows.

The intended original use and the date of this structure cannot at this time be determined.

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## 9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

## 10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
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NE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SE	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	
SW	° ' "	° ' "		° ' "	° ' "	

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 205 acres

Acreage Justification:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	
STATE:		COUNTY:	

## 11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Paula Stone Dickey, Consultant	
ORGANIZATION Washington County Historic Sites Survey	DATE June, 1973
STREET AND NUMBER: Court House Annex	
CITY OR TOWN: Hagerstown	STATE Maryland

## 12. State Liaison Officer Review: (Office Use Only)

Significance of this property is:

National ☐ State ☐ Local ☐

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



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